HOUSE OF MUCHERE

ROOTS. UNITY. LEGACY.

DEDICATION

Dedicated to every soul that carries the **Muchere** name with pride, strength, and love.

INTRODUCTION

The House of Muchere is more than a name — it is a living story.
A story carried in the hearts of every child, every parent, and every elder who proudly belongs to this lineage.
This book exists to preserve that story, protect our heritage, and guide the generations yet to come.

In these pages, we honour the journey that began with our ancestors and continues through us today. We recognize the sacrifices they made, the values they lived by, and the unity that has kept our family strong through time.

This book is created so that future generations will know where they come from —
the roots that ground them,
the principles that shape them,

and the identity they belong to.

Here you will find:

- Our ancestral lineage and family tree
- The values and laws that hold us together
- Stories, memories, and lessons from our elders
- Traditions that define who we are
- A vision for the future of our family

May every reader feel proud, inspired, and connected.
May this book remind us that though the branches may grow in different directions, the roots remain one.

Welcome to the story of the House of Muchere —
Roots. Unity. Legacy.

Ham wa'Pamba Muchere

Chapter 1

FAMILY CREED (Identity Statement)

A family rooted in unity, love, and respect.
This is our space to connect, share, and uplift one another.
Here, every voice matters and every bond is treasured.

We honour the strength of our ancestors and carry forward the spirit of:
Sidibu → Were → Mafwoho → Nasiagala → Onyongonya → Sidibu → Muchere

Together we celebrate our heritage, support each other's journeys,

and keep the Muchere spirit alive across generations.

We stand as one house — strong in identity, rich in history,
and committed to a future built on truth, unity, and legacy.

Chapter 2

ORIGINS & HISTORY OF THE MUCHERE FAMILY

Every lineage begins with a root — a single origin from which a great family grows.
For the House of Muchere, our roots stretch through the generations, carried faithfully from one ancestor to the next.

Our known ancestral path follows this honoured line:

Sidibu → Were → Mafwoho → Nasiagala → Onyongonya → Sidibu → Muchere

Each name in this sequence represents more than a person — it represents a season in our history:

- A season of survival
- A season of wisdom
- A season of leadership
- A season of family growth

These ancestors lived in the rhythms of our land: the soil, the traditions, the clan systems, and the culture that shaped their identity.
Their struggles, triumphs, and values form the strong foundation upon which the Muchere family stands today.

Over time, the family expanded through villages, marriages, and generations — carrying with them the spirit of unity and resilience that would later define the House of Muchere.

Today, we honour them not only by remembering their names, but by living the values they planted in our lineage: unity, responsibility, and respect.

This chapter is the beginning of our story — a reminder that we are part of something older, deeper, and greater than ourselves.

CLAN (ENONO)

Our clan name is **Chong'a**

Man(**Omuchong'a**)
Woman(**Nachong'a**)

Our Origin
Nachong'a Okuda Abe'Buwuyi Alego of Jaluo from **Kenya.**

Note:We face the East while resting the dead (direction of origin)

Bachong'a has four houses

1. Kombo
2. Mongya (ours)
3. Basubo
4. Alwochi

NB. We belong to **Mongya** and we are the largest group here in Uganda

Other group members reside in Kenya

Ohwelaya (Tottem statement)
Women; Nachong'a okuda abe'buwuyi
Men; Jong'a abe'buwuyi

OMUSIRO (TOTTEM)

Embongo (Kob)

Ahadyedye (Tawny Pipit)

Chapter 3

THE SYMBOL, THE HOME, THE SPIRIT

What the House Represents

The House of Muchere is more than a name —
it is a living identity, a place where every member finds belonging.
It represents:

- A home where love leads
- A people bound by respect
- A lineage protected by truth
- Generations connected through heritage

It is both a physical home and a spiritual anchor that binds the family across time.

The Family Values

These are the pillars that hold the house strong:

- Unity — no member is left behind
- Respect — elders are honoured, youth are guided
- Integrity — the Muchere name must remain clean
- Hard work — each generation must climb higher
- Care & Support — we stand together in joy and in trials
- Legacy — we preserve our story for those to come

The Tree Logo (Meaning & Symbolism)

The family tree logo is a powerful symbol:

- Roots :Represent our ancestors:

Sidibu → Were → Mafwoho → Nasiagala → Onyongonya → Sidibu → Muchere

Their strength holds us firm.

- Trunk :The foundation of the family: discipline, character, and unity.
- Branches: Represent all generations, spreading wide with growth, vision, and success.
- Leaves :The lives, dreams, and achievements of every Muchere descendant.

Together, the tree stands as a reminder that:

"When roots are deep, storms cannot break the family."

Traditions That Keep the House Strong

- Gathering during key family events
- Teaching children the lineage
- Respecting elders' guidance
- Supporting one another during hardship
- Celebrating achievements together
- Keeping communication open among generations

Chapter 4

FAMILY TREE (GENEALOGY)

"From our roots we rise."

The lineage of the House of Muchere stands as a living bridge between the past and the present. Each generation carries the wisdom, strength, and resilience of those who came before. This genealogy section preserves the ancestral chain so that every descendant may know where they come from — and honour the journey that shaped them.

The Ancestral Lineage

Below is the confirmed, unbroken generational path of the House of Muchere:

1. Sidibu (1st)
2. Were
3. Mafwoho
4. Nasiagala
5. Onyongonya
6. Sidibu (2nd)
7. Muchere
8. Current Generation

Each name represents an era of leadership, growth, sacrifice, and identity. Their lives form the foundation on which the present family stands.

Oldest known generation at the bottom — newest at the top, symbolizing growth upward like a tree.

This genealogy represents the backbone of the House of Muchere. Each generation carried values, wisdom, and resilience that shaped the family we know today.

1. **Sidibu (1st)** – The earliest known ancestor from whom this branch begins.
2. **Were** – Continued the lineage with strength and tradition.
3. **Mafwoho** – Known for stability and deep roots within the clan structure.
4. **Nasiagala** – Preserved heritage and kept family ties firm.
5. **Onyongonya** – A bridge between past traditions and emerging generations.
6. **Sidibu (2nd)** – Revived and strengthened the family name.
7. **Muchere** – The pillar of the modern generation and grandfather to the current House.

Raphael Muchere wa'Sidibu

Muchere(1918-2002) was the surviving son of Sidibu

His elder brothers succumbed to Plague, a contagious disease that killed just within 48 hours.
Muchere was issolated to avoid contact for infection, Sidibu,Muchere's father hid him in the wilderness for a fortnight, until when the pandemic declined.

Muchere's four sisters, **Akochi, Roda, Lugera** and **Ombiji** lived and made life, some of their children at;

Budalangi(Rhoda)
Budibya (Akochi)
Lugera didn't have any children.
Ombiji was a stepsister from Nahasoho, another wife to Sidibu left her people at Ganjala in Kenya after her death (RIP)

Sidibu lived at Syang'u, Hujunge Kenya Road after migrating from Mahoma due to sleeping sickness

disease (mongota) which killed many and caused movements in search for a healthy living
Sidibu was buried at Syang'u Hujunge.

Onyong'onya gave birth to;
Sidibu
Mayende
Mashali
Ahadu**,** the girl

Onyong'onya lived and died
at Mahoma, the current Mayende Muchere's home (Ekunda)

Cecilia Anyango (Wife to Muchere)
***Clan**:Nanyanga*

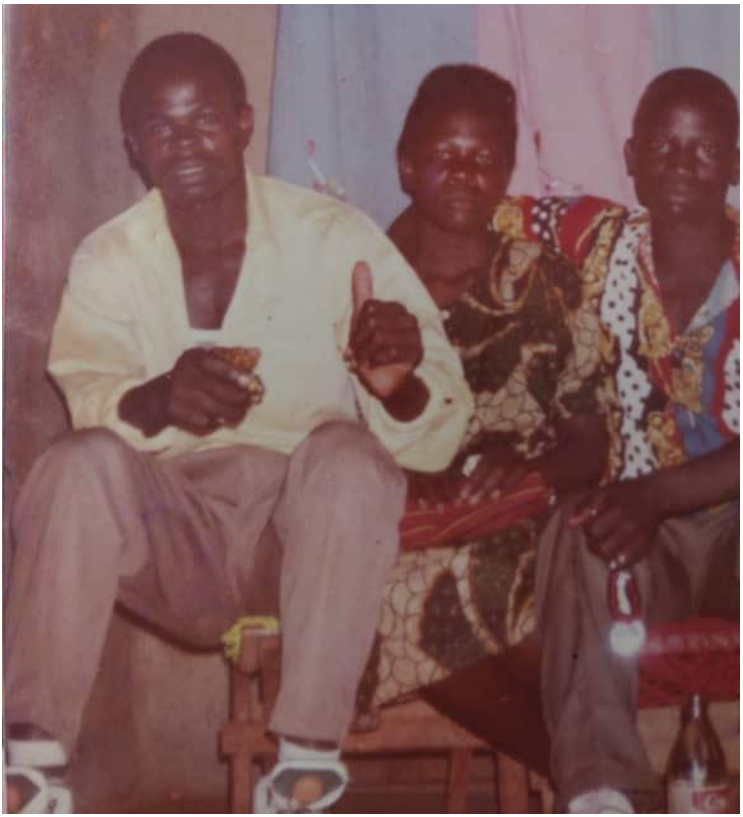
Nanyanga was the formal wife of Muchere.
She died in 2022, and buried at Mahoma besides her husband's place of rest.

She raised seven boy children namely (in their order of births) ;
1. Charles Ojambo Akali
2. Yowana Juma Najabi
3. Constant Pamba
4. Richard Mayende
5. Joseph Egessa
6. Lawrence Sanya (late)
7. Patrick Bwire (late)

Charles Ojambo Akali (cap on) and Joseph Egessa dressed traditionally for a ceremony

Pamba Constant

Pamba Constant at his home



Late Sanya Lawrence (thumb up) in his Esimba(cottage) with friends

Muchere, his wife Nanyanga, and grandson Asiti

Current Generation:

Grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of Muchere.

Oundo Najabi, Erumbi Akali, Oundo's wife (standing with baby) and Oundo's sister with her baby

Mangeni Akali

Mangeni Akali with cousins; Makoha Pamba and Robina Pamba

i Oguttu Najabi

Adongo Najabi

Ham Pamba with sister

Suzan Pamba

Judith Pamba, her kids, niece and brother

Denis Mayende

Nathan Mayende

Nelson Pamba

Emmanuel Pamba

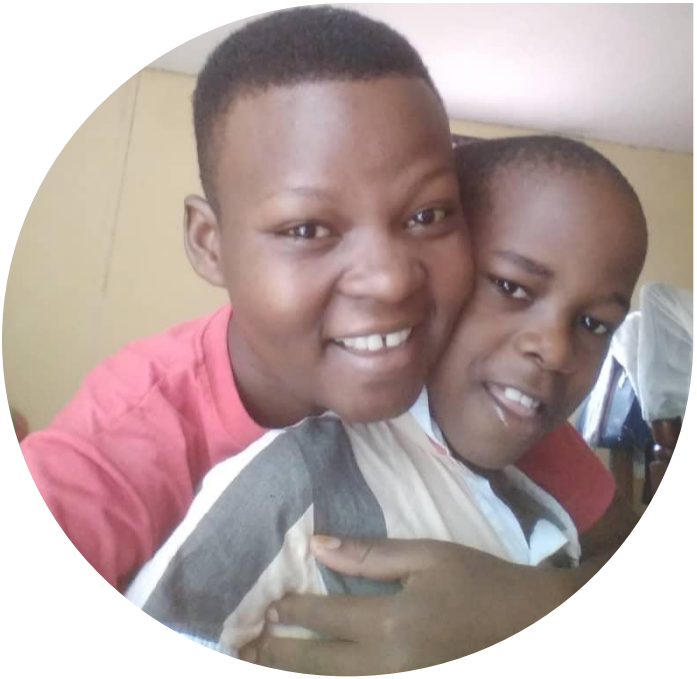
Wandera Akali

Apau Akali

Siketa Egessa

Justine Pamba

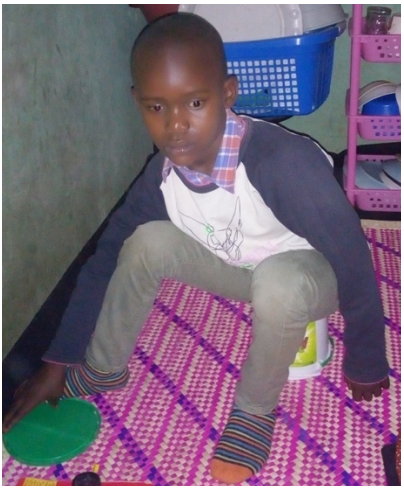
Mariam Pamba



Mariam with her nephew

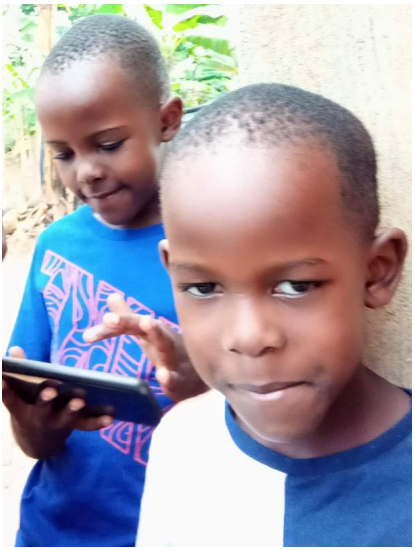
Moryn Mangeni with her sister

Bright Mangeni, his brother with their uncle



Hashim Mugeni

Hasinah Mugeni, her brother and dad



Rahma & Rahim Mugeni

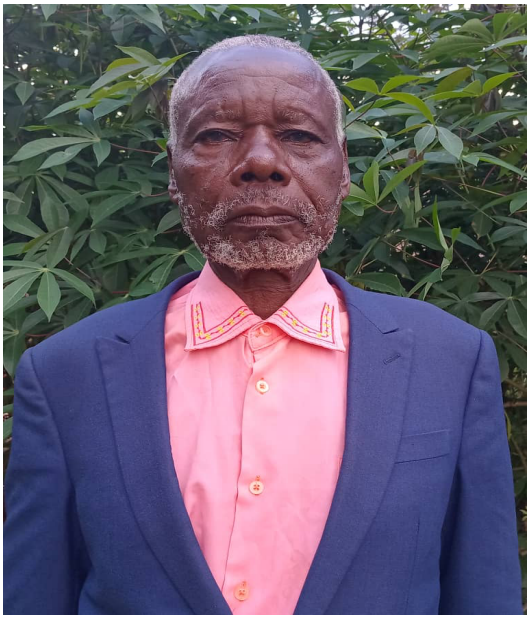
Hussein Mugeni

Hashim Mugeni, his cousin, brother and dad

Chapter 5

ELDERS & PILLARS OF THE FAMILY

This chapter honours the individuals whose wisdom, leadership, and lifelong contributions shaped the House of Muchere.



Lenard Onyango,
Son of Mayende (Sidibu's brother)

Role in the Family:
leader, adviser, peacemaker, builder, caretaker

- Preserved Land, heritage, and traditions

Values passed: Respect, strength, hard work, faith, generosity

Chapter 6

FAMILY STORIES & MEMORIES

Introduction – Why These Stories Matter

Family stories are the heartbeat of the House of Muchere. They remind us where we came from, who shaped us, and the laughter, struggles, and victories that built our identity. These memories bind generations together and keep our heritage alive.

A. Childhood Memories

1. The Village Mornings

Apau
So we can discuss about our childhood memories related to the house of muchere and mine is , kuku muchere in took me his sugarcane plantation for the first time in 2003 when I was in p.3 at bubo primary school. I help him to weed his garden and he gave me 4 sugarcanes, I took them home and since we were only three pipo at home me, bro wandera and mum, mum never liked sugarcanes and jackfruit, wandera had just detoothed ande I jad eaten enough sugarcanes from the garden so there was no one to eat them, the following day I carried these 4 sugarcanes to school, hide them under the tree and when break time reached, I went and removed them and displayed them for sell to my fellow pupils, I sold them them each at 50# and made 200#, I saved 100# and we back in the evening to kuka now to start purchasing sugarcane of 100, he gave me 5 sugars, 4 big ones and 1 small one, eat 1 and took 4 for sell, the business continued till I had many customers with less sugarcanes since I was still small and they were heavy for me to carry many, I had to tell abara this business and we did it together till we saved 10k, bought a cock from makoha wife and raised it, went to majanji with mum and abara for some clothes shopping.
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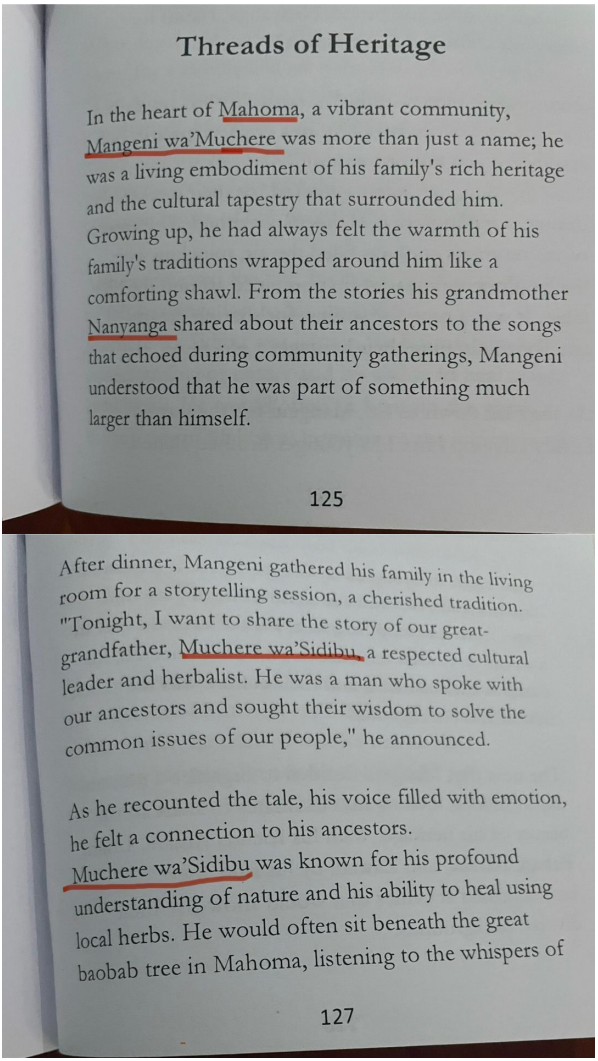
Apau wa'Akali telling her story as extracted from watsapp group chat



Threads of Heritage

In the heart of Mahoma, a vibrant community, Mangeni wa'Muchere was more than just a name; he was a living embodiment of his family's rich heritage and the cultural tapestry that surrounded him. Growing up, he had always felt the warmth of his family's traditions wrapped around him like a comforting shawl. From the stories his grandmother Nanyanga shared about their ancestors to the songs that echoed during community gatherings, Mangeni understood that he was part of something much larger than himself.

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After dinner, Mangeni gathered his family in the living room for a storytelling session, a cherished tradition. "Tonight, I want to share the story of our great-grandfather, Muchere wa'Sidibu, a respected cultural leader and herbalist. He was a man who spoke with our ancestors and sought their wisdom to solve the common issues of our people," he announced.

As he recounted the tale, his voice filled with emotion, he felt a connection to his ancestors. Muchere wa'Sidibu was known for his profound understanding of nature and his ability to heal using local herbs. He would often sit beneath the great baobab tree in Mahoma, listening to the whispers of

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Extracts from "Paths of Purpose" a book written by Ham Wa'Pamba

Chapter 7

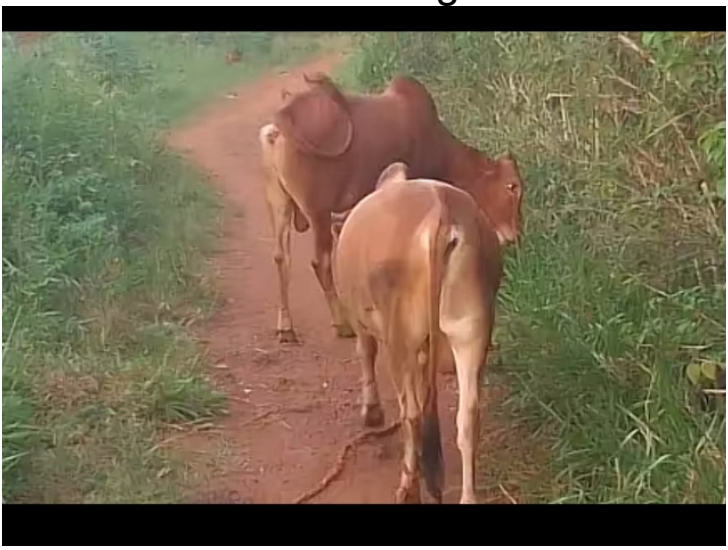
Family Gatherings & Special Events

The Abachong'a annual meeting held on Nov. 22, 2025 at Pamba's home in Mahoma village

A member addressing the sitting during the Abachong'a meeting

2. The Value of Hard Work

Family members showing determination in farming



Wandera's cows

In the sugarcane plantation with dad Pamba (back)

Pamba's sugarcane after harvesting, taken to factories for sugar manufacturing.

Chapter 9

HONOURING THE DIFFICULT MOMENTS

1. Times of Challenge

Family and clan members attend the loss ceremony of a member.

Kuka Onyango sharing teachings

2. Strength Through Unity

Family and Clan members

Chapter 10

CULTURAL VALUES, TRADITIONS & SAYINGS

1. Our Core Cultural Values

- Unity (Obulala)

The family walks as one. A decision made in unity carries the strength of every ancestor behind it.

- Respect (Esitiwa)

Respect for elders, parents, children, visitors, and the community is a sacred law in our lineage.

- Truth & Integrity (Obwesikwa)

We speak honestly and act with dignity, for our name must be protected.

- Hard Work (Obuhosi)

Every generation is expected to work harder than the last so the family continues to rise.

- Generosity (Obukabi)

No family member should lack food, support, or comfort when others have enough.

2. Traditions We Preserve

- Welcoming Visitors

The House of Muchere values hospitality. When a guest arrives, they

are received warmly, given a seat, and offered food or tea.

- Elders' Blessings

Before major life steps (marriage, education, travel), elders give words of wisdom and spiritual blessing.

- Respect for Ancestral Land

The homestead where Muchere lived is treated as sacred—no quarrels, no disrespect, no destruction.

- Family Gatherings

Every gathering is a moment to reconnect, forgive, celebrate, and strengthen bonds.

3. **Sayings & Proverbs (Amakesi K’abakuka)**

- “A family that speaks one language cannot be broken.”
Unity is protection.

- “Roots buried deep do not fear the storm.”
Strength comes from knowing where you come from.

- “The child of a great home must walk with greatness.”
Each member is a reflection of the family.

- “Respect travels farther than wealth.”
Character is our true inheritance.

4. Rituals for Major Events

- **Weddings**

Blessings from elders, family introductions, and a promise to uphold Muchere values.

- **Funerals**

A moment of respect, unity, and honour

Elders, famil and friends parade for the marriage ceremony of Denis Mayende (2nd from front)

Respect and honor duringa funeral ceremony of a member.

Chapter 11

ACHIEVEMENTS & SUCCESS STORIES

“When one rises, the name rises with them.”

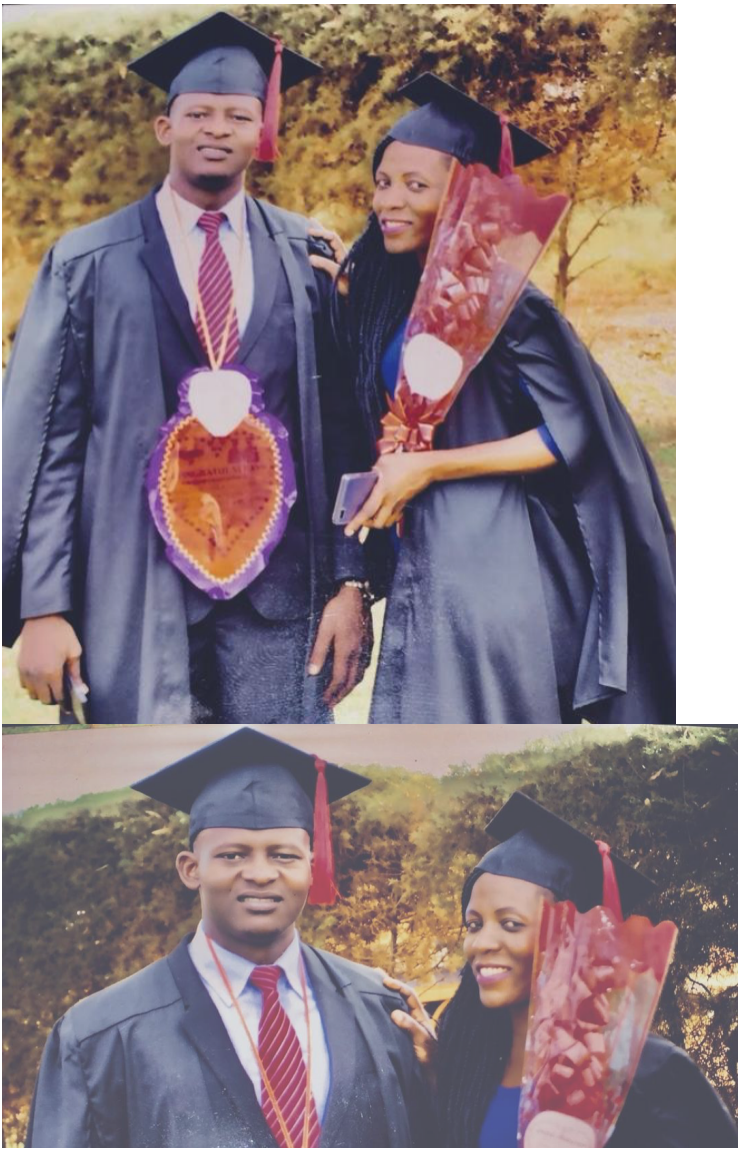
Every family carries stories of strength, courage, and accomplishment.
These stories are not just memories—they are mirrors that show the younger generation what is possible and maps that guide them forward.

The House of Muchere has produced men and women of talent, discipline, and remarkable spirit.
This chapter honours them, celebrates them, and preserves their legacy for generations to come.

Section 1: Academic Achievements

- Graduates in various fields
- Teachers, lecturers, and scholars
- Those who overcame difficulty to succeed
- Members who set new standards in the family

Education is a pillar of progress in the Muchere lineage.



Mugeni Pamba with a colleague on their graduation

2: Leadership & Service

Here we honour those who served and led with integrity:

- Community leaders
- Religious leaders
- Village or clan representatives
- Family members who promoted peace, unity, or development

Message: Leadership begins at home, and service is one of the highest honours.

Section 3: Professional Excellence

We celebrate individuals who have excelled in:

- Business & entrepreneurship
- Skilled traders
- Agriculture & innovation
- Medicine, engineering, law, or other professions
- Creative arts
- Public service

Each achievement enriches the entire family.

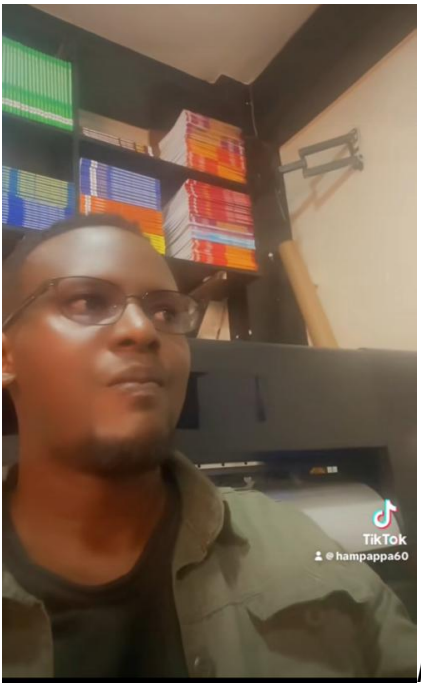
Emma Pamba at his trading site
Dealing in different kinds of clothing

Section 4: Talent, Gifts & Creativity

Every family has unique gifts. This is where we record:

- Musicians
- Writers
- Athletes
- Inventors
- Cultural performers
- Designers and creators

These talents strengthen pride and identity in the family.



Ham in the Printery

some of his own books

"The cracks in the glass let in the sun." —
"Dreams don't chase you — they wait for you to take the first step."
— Beyond the Broken Mirror,
Hamza Mugeni
"Some endings are simply beginnings wearing different clothes."
"Light does not need a perfect window to enter a room."

Hamza doing his creativity

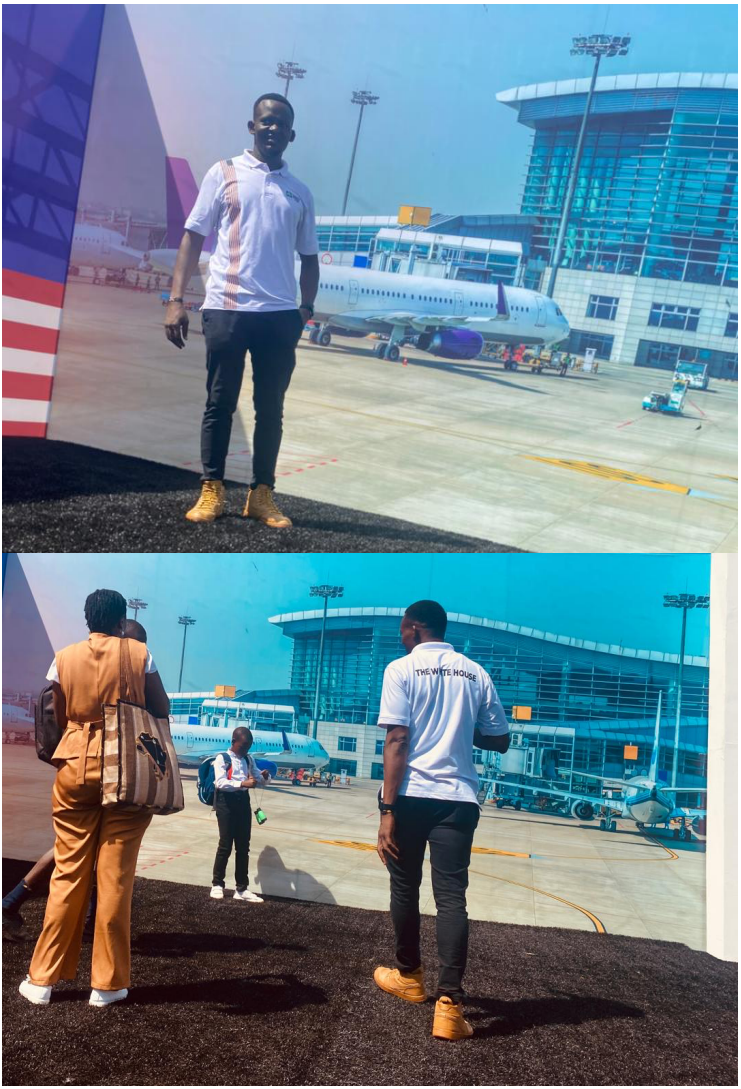
Ham, a team player of the Taibah International Sch. soccer team, Kampala Uganda

Section 5: Acts of Courage & Triumph

This part honours those who:

- Overcame hardship
- Protected the family
- Achieved success despite challenges
- Showed unusual courage or sacrifice

Their strength becomes the family's foundation.



Ham in The States

Section 6: Youth Achievements

This section encourages the younger generation:

- School awards
- Early leadership
- Emerging talents
- Sports success
- Community participation

Greatness starts early—and the House of Muchere believes in its youth.

Ham,once a Soccer team manager at Kayole playground in Nairobi Kenya 2020

Ham engaging the community in Donholm,Nairobi Kenya

Section 7: Celebrating Women of Influence

The mothers, daughters, sisters, and grandmothers who have shaped the family through:

- Wisdom
- Strength
- Hard work
- Care
- Leadership
- Guidance

Their contributions often go unsung—but not here.

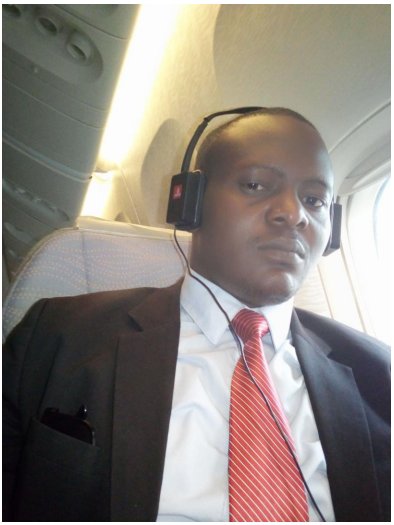
Janet Anyango a medical practitioner at her workplace

Section 8: Family Firsts

All historic firsts:

- First graduate
- First professional in a field
- First entrepreneur
- First major achievement in any area
- First international traveller

Rahma Mugeni at school



Ham in plane

Ham at work

Section 9: Lessons From Their Journeys

Each achiever leaves wisdom behind:

- Discipline
- Humility
- Faith
- Courage
- Persistence
- Love for family

Closing Thoughts – The Legacy of Achievement

Achievements are more than personal victories—they are family victories. Each success strengthens the House of Muchere, inspires future generations, and honours the ancestors who walked before us.

May every new achievement add strength to our name, pride to our lineage, and inspiration to the generations yet to come

Chapter 12

THE FUTURE OF THE HOUSE OF MUCHERE

“Our roots anchor us, but our branches must reach further than ever before.”

1. Why This Chapter Matters

A family with a strong past must also have a clear future. This chapter guides the generations ahead — showing them the path of unity, development, and cultural pride.

2. Vision for Unity

The future of the House of Muchere depends on one unwavering pillar: togetherness.

- We shall not allow division, rivalry, or silence to weaken us.
- Every branch of the family tree must feel connected to the roots.
- Communication, regular meetings, and shared activities will keep the unity alive.

Unity is not an event — it is a continuous decision.

3. Goals for Education & Personal Growth

Education is the foundation for generational progress.

- Every child should be supported to finish school.
- Youth should be guided to pursue skills, trades, or higher learning.

- Adults must mentor, sponsor, or uplift younger family members when possible.

Our success grows when every member rises.

4. Preserving the Legacy

The lineage of:

Sidibu → Were → Mafwoho → Nasiagala → Onyongonya → Sidibu → Muchere

…must never be forgotten.

Future generations should learn:

- The names of their ancestors
- The family values
- The stories of the elders

- The meaning of the family logo and the House
- The laws that govern us

The book itself will become a tool for preserving this heritage.

5. Involving the Youth

The future belongs to the young. We must:

- Teach them the family history
- Involve them in decision-making
- Encourage their leadership
- Empower them to express new ideas
- Create opportunities for talent, creativity, and innovation

When the youth stand strong, the future stands safe.

6. Family Systems for the Future

To secure the next generations, the House of Muchere should establish:

- Annual family gatherings
- A family council or leadership team
- A scholarship or education fund
- A welfare/support system
- A digital archive of photos, history, and documents
- A communication platform (WhatsApp group, family forum)

These structures keep order, support, and growth consistent.

7. Financial & Economic Empowerment

A strong family is one that supports itself.

- Encourage savings and investments
- Share business opportunities
- Build generational wealth
- Teach financial literacy
- Support struggling members with wisdom and dignity

Wealth built together becomes legacy.

8. Love, Peace & Blessings for Tomorrow

The future is bright when love leads the way.
Let every generation:

- Love one another

- Forgive quickly
- Help freely
- Honour the name Muchere
- Protect the peace of the House

This is how a dynasty survives.

9. Closing Message of Hope

The House of Muchere will stand for centuries if we remain united in heart, committed in action, and proud of our heritage.

Our roots are strong.
Our branches are growing.
The future is ours to build — together.

Chapter 13

FINAL BLESSING

“May our roots remain deep, our branches grow wide, and our unity shine across generations.”

Closing Blessing

As we close this book, we honour all who came before us — those whose footsteps shaped the soil on which we now stand. Their strength, wisdom, sacrifice, and courage live within every member of the House of Muchere.

May this book be:

- A mirror of who we are,
- A reminder of where we come from, and
- A guide for where we are going.

May every generation that carries the name Muchere continue to walk in:

- Unity
- Respect
- Integrity
- Love
- Purpose

May our children and their children grow strong in character, rich in wisdom, and proud of the great lineage they come from.

Let peace remain at our gates, love in our hearts, and progress in our hands.

Family Closing Prayer

“Creator of all things, bless the House of Muchere.
Bless every home, every child, every dream.
Guide our steps and guard our unity.

Let your light rest upon us and our generations forever.
Amen.”

May our roots remain deep, our branches strong, and our love everlasting.

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